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APPLICANT'S STATEMENT CONCERNING SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Interview Summary, concerning the telephonic interview of May 6, 2009 between the undersigned and Examiner Kaitlyn E. HELLING, please note that the Applicant generally agrees with the substance of the Interview Summary provided by the Examiner. During the interview, the undersigned representative of the Applicant discussed with the Examiner the differences between the presently claimed invention and the applied Tomic-Edgar et al. reference which has distinct holes provided in the surface of the impervious material versus the porous material of the presently claimed invention.

In addition, the undersigned representative drew the Examiner's attention to the recited limitations of claim 15 which would require the surgical warming blanket to comprise "at least two layers capable of forming a hollow air space between the two layers for receiving warmed air from a heating unit, the two layers and air space being arranged in operation to form a substantially tubular arrangement at least partially surrounding a patient receiving space....wherein one of the two layers of the blanket has a portion of its surface formed of porous material so that the warmed air is delivered to the patient receiving space via the entire surface of the porous material."

No agreement concerning allowance of any claim was reached as a result of this interview.

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In view of the forgoing, further comment concerning the substance of the interview is not believed to be necessary.

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Respectfully submitted,


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